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MARKET BOSWORTH RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

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OF THE  
MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH  
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MR. CHAIRMAN, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

I AM GLAD TO PRESENT THE REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING  
DECEMBER 31ST. 1955.

STATISTICS.

IT WILL BE NOTED THAT THERE IS A SMALL INCREASE IN THE  
ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION AND A SIMILAR SMALL RISE IN THE  
RATEABLE VALUE. THE RATE OF INCREASE IN THE POPULATION  
CORRESPONDS TO THE GENERAL TREND.

I AM PLEASED TO NOTE A SLIGHT, BUT DEFINITE, INCREASE  
IN THE BIRTH RATE, WHICH IS NOW THE SAME AS THE AVERAGE FIGURE  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES. THE DEATH RATE, ON THE OTHER HAND HAS  
DECREASED SLIGHTLY AND IS CONSIDERABLY BELOW THE NATIONAL AVERAGE.  
IN ACCORDANCE WITH EXPECTATIONS, AND THE INCREASING AVERAGE AGE OF  
THE POPULATION, THE GREATER NUMBER OF DEATHS WERE FROM DISEASES  
ASSOCIATED WITH ELDERLY FOLK.

SOUTHERN AREA WATER SCHEME.

I REPORTED LAST YEAR THAT THE SOUTHERN AREA WATER SCHEME  
HAD STARTED AND I AM NOW ABLE TO REPORT THAT PART OF THE SCHEME IS  
IN OPERATION AND MANY FARMSTEADS AND VILLAGES ARE BENEFITTING BY IT.  
THE DRY SUMMER CAUSED SERIOUS WATER SHORTAGES - PARTICULARLY TO  
DAIRY FARMS AND ARRANGEMENTS HAD TO BE MADE IN SEVERAL CASES FOR  
WATER TO BE CARTED FOR FARM USES.

SEWERAGE SCHEMES.

NEW SEWERAGE SCHEMES COMPLETED DURING THE YEAR INCLUDED  
THE BAGWORTH, BATTRAM AND THORNTON SCHEME, AND ALSO NAILSTONE  
SCHEME. FIVE OTHER SCHEMES ARE IN VARIOUS STAGES AND EXTENSIONS  
TO FOUR SEWAGE DISPOSAL WORKS HAVE COMMENCED OR ARE ABOUT TO COMMENCE.

MILK.

THE INCIDENCE OF BRUCELLA ABORTUS WAS NOT SO PREVALENT  
AS IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR, AND THE DAIRY FARMERS CO-OPERATED  
WILLINGLY TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF THE DISEASE. UNFORTUNATELY  
THERE IS NO WAY OF PREVENTING A MILK PRODUCER FROM SELLING A  
SUSPECTED ANIMAL IN THE OPEN MARKET, AND THE POSSIBILITY ARISES  
OF ANOTHER HERD BECOMING AFFECTED.

MEAT INSPECTION.

THE QUALITY OF CATTLE KILLED FOR MEAT HAS BEEN EXCELLENT  
DURING THE YEAR, BUT IT IS TO BE HOPED THAT LEGISLATION WILL BE





# Market Bosworth Rural District Council

C. J. HOLMES,  
CLERK

TELEPHONE  
MARKET BOSWORTH 234

*Council Offices,  
Market Bosworth,  
Leicestershire*

CJH/DD.

21ST. SEPTEMBER 1956.

THE SECRETARY,  
MINISTRY OF HEALTH,  
SAVILE ROW,  
LONDON. W.1.

SIR,

## MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH'S REPORT 1955.

MY COUNCIL'S MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH SUBMITTED HIS ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1955, TO THE COUNCIL AT THEIR MEETING ON WEDNESDAY LAST.

ARISING OUT OF THE DISCUSSION THEREON, THE COUNCIL PASSED A RESOLUTION INSTRUCTING ME TO REFER PARTICULARLY TO THE PARAGRAPH ON PAGE 1 HEADED "MILK". MY COUNCIL STRONGLY SUPPORT THE MEDICAL OFFICER IN RECOMMENDING THAT LEGISLATION SHOULD BE INTRODUCED TO PREVENT A MILK PRODUCER FROM SELLING IN THE OPEN MARKET AN ANIMAL INFECTED WITH BRUCELLA ABORTUS.

I AM, SIR,

YOUR OBEDIENT SERVANT,

*C. J. Holmes*

CLERK OF THE COUNCIL.

COPY TO MINISTRY OF HOUSING & LOCAL GOVERNMENT FOR INFORMATION,  
AND TO MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES & FOOD.



CONSIDERED PROHIBITING THE SLAUGHTER OF CATTLE ON SUNDAYS, AS IN THIS DISTRICT, 50% OF THE TOTAL KILL IS DONE ON SUNDAY. A HUNDRED PER CENT INSPECTION HAS BEEN MAINTAINED AND IT IS REMARKABLE HOW THE INCIDENCE OF TUBERCULOSIS IN CATTLE HAS DECREASED SINCE THE WAR YEARS.

#### HOUSING.

THE NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES ERECTED DURING THE YEAR WAS SLIGHTLY IN EXCESS OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR, AND THE NUMBER OF HOUSES IN COURSE OF ERECTION AT THE END OF THE YEAR WAS ALMOST DOUBLE THE PREVIOUS TOTAL.

#### INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

INFECTIOUS DISEASE NOTIFICATIONS WERE ALMOST IDENTICAL IN NUMBER WITH 1954. SCARLET FEVER AND WHOOPING COUGH SHOW CONSIDERABLE DECREASE IN NUMBER BUT THE DISTRICT SHARED IN THE GENERAL OUTBREAK OF MEASLES WHICH RESULTED IN A LARGE INCREASE IN NOTIFICATIONS. ONLY ONE DEATH OCCURRED FROM TUBERCULOSIS.

#### DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION.

FOR THE EIGHTH CONSECUTIVE YEAR, NO CASE OF DIPHTHERIA WAS NOTIFIED, BUT IT IS WITH MUCH REGRET THAT I HAVE TO REPORT THAT THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN RECEIVING PRIMARY IMMUNISATION HAS AGAIN DROPPED. I URGE ALL PARENTS TO HAVE THEIR CHILDREN PROTECTED BEFORE THE CHILD ATTAINS ITS FIRST BIRTHDAY. IT IS FREE, IT IS PAINLESS, IT LEAVES NO MARK AND HAS NO AFTER EFFECTS. IT IS DONE BY THE FAMILY DOCTOR TO WHOM APPLICATION SHOULD BE MADE.

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ONCE AGAIN I HAVE TO THANK MR. TROWBRIDGE AND MR. FYFE FOR THE DETAILED PREPARATION OF THIS REPORT AND I SUBSCRIBE MYSELF, MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE HEALTH COMMITTEE,

YOUR OBEDIENT SERVANT,

*A. D. Cruickshank*

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.







STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA.

AREA ( IN ACRES).....	63,717.
POPULATION CENSUS 1921 .....	23,196.
"                "    1931 .....	23,544.
ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION 1954 .....	26,890.
"                "                "    1955 .....	27,060.
NUMBER OF INHABITED HOUSES .....	8,619.
RATEABLE VALUE (AT 31ST. MARCH 1955) .....	£121,756.
SUM REPRESENTED BY A PENNY RATE .....	£442.15.0.

SOCIAL CONDITIONS.

THE POPULATION IS PARTLY INDUSTRIAL AND PARTLY AGRARIAN, THE MAIN INDUSTRIES BEING COAL MINING, GRANITE QUARRYING, ENGINEERING, BOOT & SHOE AND HOSIERY MANUFACTURE. THESE ARE MAINLY SITUATED IN THE NORTH OF THE DISTRICT.

VITAL STATISTICS.

BIRTHS, LEGITIMATE.	M.217.	F.174.	TOTAL.	391.
BIRTHS, ILLEGITIMATE.	M. 9.	F. 6.	TOTAL.	15.
	M.226.	F.180.	TOTAL.	406.

STILLBIRTHS. 5 LEGITIMATE. 0 ILLEGITIMATE.	TOTAL.	5.
BIRTH RATE.....		15.
BIRTH RATE FOR ENGLAND & WALES.....		15.
DEATHS. M. 132. F. 133.	TOTAL.....	265.
CRUDE DEATH RATE.....		9.8.
DEATH RATE FOR ENGLAND & WALES.....		11.7.
DEATHS FROM PUERPERAL SEPSIS.....		0.
OTHER PUERPERAL CAUSES.....		0.
DEATHS OF INFANTS UNDER 1 YEAR OF AGE:-		
LEGITIMATE... 13. ILLEGITIMATE... 0....	TOTAL.	13.
INFANT MORTALITY RATE PER 1000 BIRTHS.....		32.0.
"                "                "    FOR ENGLAND & WALES.		24.7.
DEATHS FROM CANCER (ALL AGES).....		40.
DEATHS FROM MEASLES (ALL AGES).....		0.
DEATHS FROM WHOOPING COUGH (ALL AGES).....		0.
DEATHS FROM DIARRHOEA (UNDER 2 YEARS).....		0.

CAUSES OF DEATH. (CIVILIANS ONLY)

<u>CAUSES OF DEATH.</u>	<u>MALES.</u>	<u>FEMALES.</u>
ALL CAUSES.....	132	133
MEASLES.....	0	0
WHOOPING COUGH.....	0	0
DIPHTHERIA.....	0	0



CAUSES OF DEATH. (CONT)

	<u>MALES.</u>	<u>FEMALES.</u>
OTHER INFECTIOUS DISEASES.....	0	0
INFLUENZA.....	4	0
POLIOMYELITIS.....	0	0
MENINGOCOCCAL INFECTION.....	0	0
RESPIRATORY TUBERCULOSIS.....	0	1
OTHER TUBERCULOSIS.....	0	0
SYPHILIS.....	0	0
CANCER, MALIGNANT DISEASE.....	21	19
LEUKAEMIA.....	0	0
DIABETES.....	0	2
INTRA CRANIAL VASCULAR LESIONS....	13	27
ANGINA.....	17	17
HEART DISEASE WITH HYPERTENSION...	1	4
OTHER HEART DISEASES.....	23	17
OTHER CIRCULATORY DISEASES.....	10	10
BRONCHITIS.....	14	7
PNEUMONIA (ALL FORMS) .....	4	2
OTHER RESPIRATORY DISEASES.....	1	2
ULCER OF STOMACH OR DUODENUM.....	2	0
DIARRHOEA.....	1	0
ACUTE & CHRONIC NEPHRITIS.....	6	1
HYPERPLASIA OF PROSTATE.....	0	0
CONGENITAL CAUSES.....	1	1
PUERPERAL SEPSIS.....	0	0
INFECTIVE & PARASITIC DISEASES....	0	0
OTHER ILL DEFINED DISEASES.....	9	17
SUICIDE.....	1	0
ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS.....	1	1
ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS.....	3	5
HOMICIDE.....	0	0

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GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA.

ALL HOSPITALS EXCEPT SOME PRIVATE MATERNITY AND NURSING HOMES ARE UNDER THE SHEFFIELD REGIONAL HOSPITAL BOARD.

THE COUNTY HOMES FOR THE AGED AND DESTITUTE ARE UNDER THE COUNTY COUNCIL.

AMBULANCE FACILITIES FOR INFECTIOUS AND NON-INFECTIOUS CASES AND ACCIDENTS ARE PROVIDED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL AMBULANCE SERVICE. A NATIONAL COAL BOARD AREA AMBULANCE STATION FOR COLLIERY ACCIDENTS IS SITUATED AT NAILSTONE COLLIERY.

CLINICS AND TREATMENT CENTRES ARE ALL UNDER THE COUNTY COUNCIL.



PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY.

THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH IS A PART TIME OFFICIAL.

THE CHIEF SANITARY INSPECTOR, WHO IS ALSO SANITARY SURVEYOR, DEVOTES PART OF HIS TIME TO HEALTH DUTIES. TWO ADDITIONAL SANITARY INSPECTORS DEVOTE THE WHOLE OF THEIR TIME TO THEIR OFFICIAL DUTIES.

PROFESSIONAL NURSING IN THE HOME.

THE COUNTY COUNCIL'S HEALTH VISITORS VISIT CASES IN THIS DISTRICT. THERE ARE DISTRICT NURSES IN ALL THE LARGER PARISHES.

MIDWIVES.

THE SUPERVISION OF MIDWIVES IS VESTED IN THE COUNTY COUNCIL.

FOOD & DRUGS SAMPLING.

ANALYSES OF FOODS AND DRUGS ARE CONDUCTED BY THE COUNTY ANALYST AND SAMPLING IS CARRIED OUT BY THE WEIGHTS & MEASURES DEPARTMENT OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.

1. WATER SUPPLY.

- (1) A. THE PIPED WATER SUPPLIES HAVE BEEN SATISFACTORY BUT THE QUALITY OF THE WELL SUPPLIES PROVED MOSTLY UNSATISFACTORY ON TESTING.
- B. THE PIPED SUPPLIES WERE GENERALLY SUFFICIENT IN QUANTITY ALTHOUGH SHORTAGES IN SUPPLY DID OCCUR ON OCCASIONS AND STRICT ECONOMY HAD TO BE ENFORCED. THE DISTRICT RELIES ON FIVE OUTSIDE WATER UNDERTAKINGS FOR SUPPLY AND DIFFICULTIES WERE EXPERIENCED OUTSIDE OUR CONTROL. DUE TO THE VERY DRY PERIODS DURING THE SUMMER, REDUCED PRESSURES IN PUMPING MAINS AND THE EVER INCREASING CONSUMPTION CAUSED CONSIDERABLE SHORTAGE IN ALL AREAS.
- C. MANY WELL SUPPLIES PROVED INADEQUATE AND ARRANGEMENTS HAD TO BE MADE FOR CARTAGE OF WATER.
- (2) PIPED SUPPLIES -- SAMPLES TAKEN FOR ANALYSIS..... 1.
- (3) WATERS LIABLE TO HAVE PLUMBO SOLVENT ACTION.... NO ACTION HAS BEEN TAKEN.
- (4) WATER SUPPLIES FROM PUBLIC MAINS:-

DIRECT TO THE HOUSES.		BY MEANS OF STANDPIPES.	
NO. OF DWELLING HOUSES.	POPULATION.	NO. OF DWELLING HOUSES.	POPULATION.
6,410.	22,066.	203.	862.

NO. OF PARISHES WITH PIPED WATER SUPPLY:-

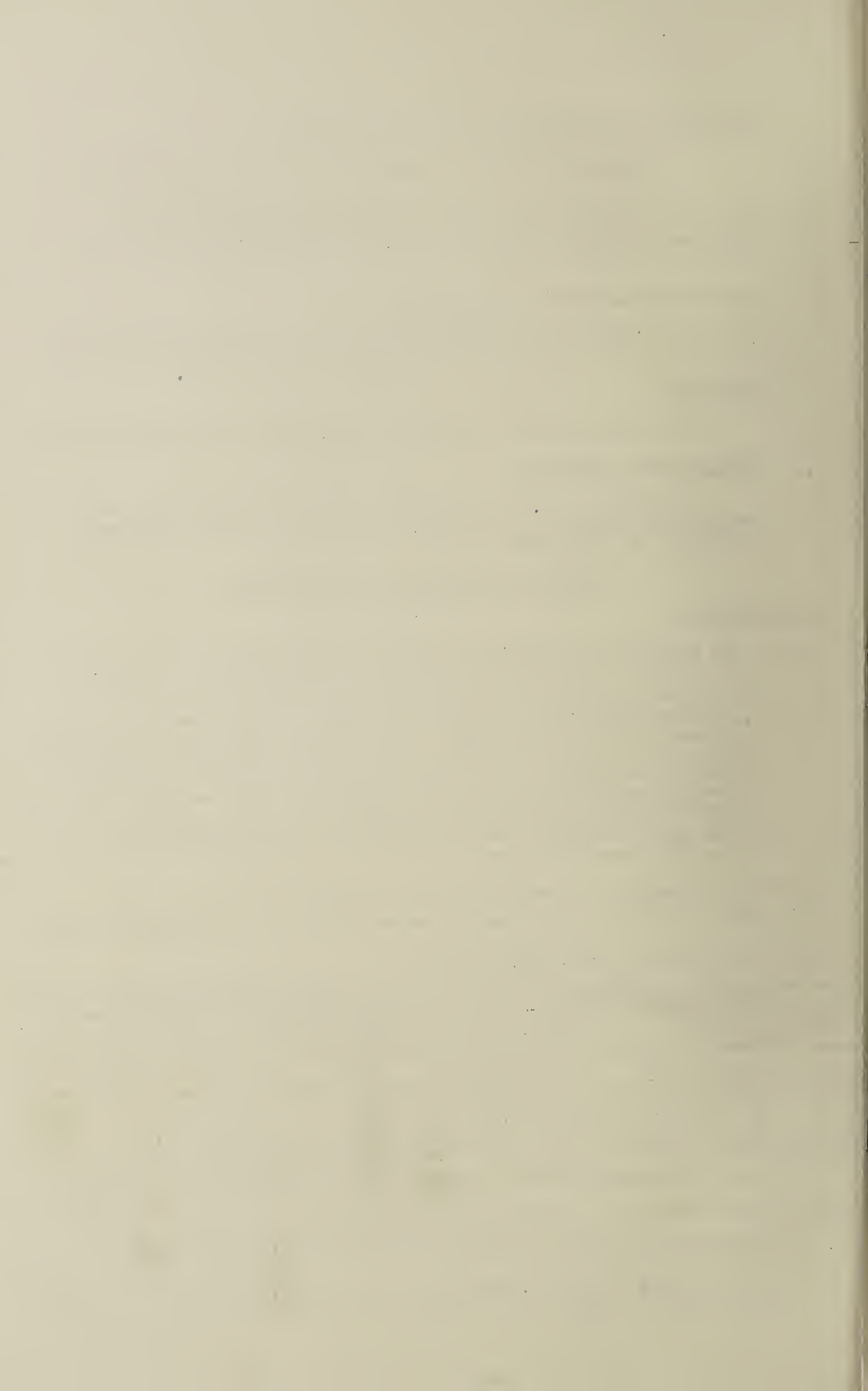
(A) FROM PUBLIC MAINS:- 20. (B) FROM PRIVATE RESERVOIRS:- NIL.

NO. OF PARISHES WITHOUT A PIPED SUPPLY OF WATER:- 2. (WARDS ONLY).

PARTICULARS OF EXTENSION OF PUBLIC WATER SUPPLIES:-

EXTENSIONS TO EXISTING MAIN TO SERVE NEW HOUSING SITES AND ISOLATED PROPERTIES.

NO. OF CASES IN WHICH PIPED SUPPLY WAS SUBSTITUTED FOR WELL WATER:- 104.





WATER SUPPLIES FROM WELLS:-

No. of Samples Taken for Analysis:- 23.			
SATISFACTORY.		UNSATISFACTORY.	
CHEMICAL.	BACTERIOLOGICAL.	CHEMICAL.	BACTERIOLOGICAL.
2.	6.	3.	12.

No. of Wells Closed..... 10. No. of Wells Cleansed Etc., 3.  
 No. of Houses Relying on Well Supplies.....2,006

FUTURE PROPOSALS.

THE LARGE SOUTHERN AREA SCHEME WAS ALMOST COMPLETED - PART BEING IN OPERATION - AND THE EXTENSION TO ORTON ON THE HILL SUBMITTED FOR MINISTERIAL APPROVAL.

EXTENSIONS TO MAINS AT RATBY AND GROBY ARE STILL BEING CONSIDERED TO LINK UP WITH PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT AND COUNCIL HOUSE DEVELOPMENT.

2. SEWAGE DISPOSAL.

No. of Cesspools Constructed during the Year..... 10.  
 No. of Cesspools Abolished during the Year..... 34.  
 Total No. in District on 31st. Dec. 1955. .... 224(EST)

EXTENSIONS TO SEWERS, NEW WORKS OR IMPROVEMENTS DURING THE YEAR:-

BAGWORTH, BATTRAM AND THORNTON SCHEME COMPLETED AND IN OPERATION.  
 EXTENSIONS TO WORKS AT DESFORD AND RATBY COMMENCED. NAILSTONE SCHEME COMPLETED AND IN OPERATION.

No. of Parishes with Efficient Sewage Disposal Works..... 14.  
 No. of Parishes where New Schemes have been Formulated..... 5.

FUTURE PROPOSALS.

STAPLETON - NO PROGRESS TO REPORT.

BARTON IN THE BEANS - SUBMITTED FOR MINISTRY APPROVAL.

FENNY DRAYTON - A NEW SCHEME IS BEING PREPARED.

CONGERSTONE & SHACKERSTONE - SUBMITTED FOR MINISTRY APPROVAL.

DADLINGTON - NEGOTIATIONS COMMENCED WITH HINCKLEY U.D.C.

IBSTOCK - EXTENSIONS TO WORKS PROPOSED

GROBY - EXTENSIONS TO WORKS PROPOSED.

3. CLOSET ACCOMMODATION.

TOTAL No. in District on 31st. Dec. 1955:-

(1) PRIVIES..... 2. (2) PAIL CLOSETS....1,849. (ESTIMATED)  
 (3) W.C's..... 6,679.

No. of Closets Converted to Water Carriage System during Year:-

(A) PRIVIES..... - (B) PAILS..... 89.

GRANT MADE TOWARDS COST OF CONVERSIONS:- £4. PER CONVERSION.

No. of Privies (Middens) Converted to Pail Closets during Year..2.

MEANS FOR THE CLEANSING OF EARTH CLOSETS, PRIVIES, ASHPITS & CESSPOOLS:-

THE CLEANSING OF EARTH CLOSETS AND PRIVIES IS NOT UNDERTAKEN BY THE COUNCIL. CESSPOOLS ARE EMPTIED WHEN THE OWNER UNDERTAKES TO PAY THE COST OF SUCH WORK. ASHPITS ARE EMPTIED AS NECESSARY, MOST OF THESE HAVE BEEN ABOLISHED BUT STILL A FEW REMAIN.





PAIL CLOSETS.

EMPTIED BY DIRECT LABOUR. CONTENTS DISPOSED OF ON FARM LAND AND PLOUGHED IN. WEEKLY COLLECTION.

4. PUBLIC CLEANSING.

HOUSE REFUSE IS REMOVED BY DIRECT LABOUR.

No. & TYPE OF VEHICLES EMPLOYED:- 5 REFUSE VEHICLES.  
(2 DENNIS & 3 KARRIER BANTAM TYPE REFUSE COLLECTORS).

FREQUENCY OF COLLECTION:- WEEKLY.

No. OF PARISHES COVERED BY ROUTINE COLLECTION:-

WHOLE DISTRICT OF 20 PARISHES.

DISPOSAL OF HOUSE REFUSE:-

No. OF CONTROLLED TIPS..... 0.

No. OF CRUDE TIPS..... 5.

INCINERATION..... -

5. SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA.

TOTAL No. OF COMPLAINTS RECEIVED..... 213.

TOTAL No. OF DEFECTS OR NUISANCES DISCOVERED..... 179.

6. INSPECTIONS MADE.

	FIRST INSPECTIONS.	RE-VISITS.
ANIMAL KEEPING.	23.	7.
BAKEHOUSES.	8.	2.
DAIRIES.	15.	7.
DRAINAGE WORKS.	306.	187.
DWELLING HOUSES (ALL PURPOSES)	2,109.	1,376.
FOOD PREMISES.	87.	51.
OFFENSIVE TRADES.	-	-
REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL.	232.	97.
RODENT CONTROL.	876.	384.
SCHOOLS.	14.	6.
SHOPS.	29.	19.
SLAUGHTER HOUSES & MEAT INSPECTION.	1,831.	306.
SMOKE OBSERVATIONS.	-	-
TENTS, VANS, SHEDS ETC.,	21.	6.
VERMINOUS & DIRTY PREMISES.	11.	23.
WATER SUPPLIES.	274.	87.
WORKSHOPS, OUTWORKERS ETC.,	15.	3.
OTHER INSPECTIONS.	327.	89.
TOTAL.	6,178.	2,650.



NOTICES.

PRELIMINARY.	HOUSING.	PUBLIC HEALTH.
OUTSTANDING ON 1ST. JANUARY.	-	22.
ISSUED DURING YEAR.	-	148.
COMPLIED WITH DURING YEAR.	-	137.
STATUTORY ACTION NECESSARY.	-	6.
OUTSTANDING 31ST. DECEMBER.	-	33.

STATUTORY.	HOUSING.	PUBLIC HEALTH.
OUTSTANDING ON 1ST. JANUARY.	-	1.
ISSUED DURING YEAR.	-	6.
COMPLIED WITH DURING YEAR.	-	7.
OUTSTANDING 31ST. DECEMBER.	-	-

SUMMARY ACTION.

NO. OF SUMMONSES ISSUED.	NO. OF CONVICTIONS OBTAINED.
1	1

7. SHOPS.

PARTICULARS OF ANY ACTION TAKEN DURING YEAR UNDER PROVISIONS OF THE SHOPS ACT 1950:-

	OUTSTANDING FROM PREVIOUS YEAR.	DEFECTS FOUND.	DEFECTS REMEDIED.	OUTSTANDING 31ST. DECEMBER.
SANITARY CONVENIENCES.	2	6	6	2
TEMPERATURE.	-	-	-	-
VENTILATION.	-	-	-	-
WASHING FACILITIES.	1	3	4	-
LIGHTING.	-	4	4	-

8. CAMPING SITES.

NO. OF SITES USED FOR CAMPING PURPOSES DURING YEAR..... 1.  
 NO. OF CAMPING SITES FOR WHICH LICENCES HAVE BEEN ISSUED... 1.  
 ESTIMATED MAXIMUM NO. OF CAMPERS RESIDENT IN AREA DURING  
 SUMMER SEASON..... -

NO. OF LICENCES ISSUED FOR MOVEABLE DWELLINGS,  
 SECTION 269, PUBLIC HEALTH ACT 1936..... -

ONE PERMANENT CARAVAN SITE IS LICENSED. SANITARY  
 CONVENIENCES AND WATER ARE PROVIDED ON THE SITE.

9. REGULATED BUILDINGS.

REGULATED BUILDINGS.	NO. IN DISTRICT.	NO. OF INSPECTIONS.	ACTION TAKEN.	GENERAL CONDITIONS.
COMMON LODGING HOUSES.	-	-	-	-
TENTS, VANS, SHEDS ETC.,	54	27	-	FAIR
CANAL BOATS.	-	-	-	-
OFFENSIVE TRADES.	-	-	-	-





10. ERADICATION OF BED BUGS.

PARTICULARS OF ACTION TAKEN:-

No. OF COUNCIL HOUSES INFESTED.....	0.
No. OF OTHER DWELLING HOUSES FOUND INFESTED.....	2.
No. OF HOUSES DISINFESTED.....	2.

METHODS EMPLOYED FOR DISINFESTATION:-

USE OF D.D.T. AND GAMMEXANE BY GENERATORS AND  
SUBSEQUENT SPRAYING WITH D.D.T. SOLUTION.

CARRIED OUT BY LOCAL AUTHORITY.....	2.
CARRIED OUT BY CONTRACTOR.....	-

METHODS EMPLOYED FOR ENSURING THE TENANTS' BELONGINGS  
ARE FREE FROM VERMIN BEFORE REMOVAL TO COUNCIL HOUSES:-

IN DOUBTFUL CASES THE HOUSING OFFICER CALLS IN THE  
SANITARY INSPECTOR FOR ADVICE.

MEASURES TAKEN FOR SUPERVISION OF EDUCATION OF TENANTS  
TO PREVENT INFESTATION OR REINFESTATION:-

PERIODIC REINSPECTIONS BY THE HOUSING OFFICER  
AND SANITARY INSPECTOR.

11. PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT 1949.

PARTICULARS OF ACTION TAKEN:-

ALL REFUSE TIPS TREATED SYSTEMATICALLY. REGULAR SIX-  
MONTHLY TEST BAITING OF SEWERS AND SEWAGE WORKS.  
TREATMENT AND ADVICE GIVEN TO HOUSEHOLDERS FREE.  
BUSINESS PREMISES CHARGEABLE TO THE OCCUPIER.

STAFF EMPLOYED ON THESE DUTIES:- 2 PART TIME OPERATORS.

12. SCHOOLS.

No. OF SCHOOLS DISINFECTED:- 1.

PARTICULARS OF OTHER ACTION TAKEN IN CONNECTION WITH SCHOOLS:-

MICE INFESTATIONS TREATED AT MARKFIELD, DESFORD AND  
MARKET BOSWORTH SCHOOLS. MAINS WATER LAID TO KITCHEN AT  
NEWBOLD VERDON.

13. SWIMMING BATHS AND POOLS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

No. IN AREA:-

PUBLICLY OWNED..... NIL. PRIVATELY OWNED..... NIL.

No. OF INSPECTIONS:-

3 INSPECTIONS MADE TO PRIVATE SWIMMING POOLS.

14. INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

ICE CREAM.

No. OF PREMISES REGISTERED:-

(A) MANUFACTURE AND RETAIL.....	2.	
(B) MANUFACTURE ONLY.....	-	
(C) RETAIL ONLY.....	52.	(ALL PRE- PACKED.)

NO. OF SAMPLES..... NIL.  
GENERAL REMARKS..... NIL.





INSPECTION & SUPERVISION OF FOOD. (CONT)

MILK SUPPLY.

DAIRIES (OTHER THAN DAIRY FARMS) AND DISTRIBUTORS (SECTION 8 MILK AND DAIRIES REGULATIONS 1949)

No. ON REGISTER.	No. OF INSPECTIONS.	No. OF CONTRAVENTIONS.		
		FOUND.	REMEDIED.	OUTSTANDING ON 31st. DEC.
DAIRIES. 18.	37.	9.	9.	-
DISTRIBUTORS. 140.	44.	1.	1.	-

BIOLOGICAL MILK SAMPLES.

No. OF SAMPLES TAKEN.	RESULTS.		
	SATISFACTORY.	EVIDENCE OF LIVING TUBERCLE BACILLI.	EVIDENCE OF BRUCELLA ABORTUS.
119.	107.	5.	7.

No. OF INDIVIDUAL SAMPLES TAKEN FOLLOWING A POSITIVE BRUCELLA ABORTUS REPORT ON A ROUTINE SAMPLE..... 230.

PARTICULARS OF ANY ACTION TAKEN IN CASES WHERE THERE WAS EVIDENCE OF LIVING TUBERCLE BACILLI OR BRUCELLA ABORTUS:-

IN MOST CASES CO-OPERATION BY THE FARMERS RESULTED IN THE OFFENDING ANIMALS BEING REMOVED FROM THE HERD AS SOON AS DISCOVERED.

STOPPAGE NOTICES WERE SERVED UNDER SECTION 20 IN OTHER CASES AND SUBSEQUENTLY WITHDRAWN AS SOON AS DANGER OF SPREADING THE INFECTION WAS OVER. TWO COWS WERE SLAUGHTERED UNDER THE TUBERCULOSIS REGULATIONS.

MILK SAMPLING.

CLASS.		No. OF SAMPLES.	SATISFACTORY.	UNSATISFACTORY.
DESIGNATED.	"TUBERCULIN TESTED"			
	"ACCREDITED"			
	"PASTEURISED"	-----	NIL	-----
	"STERILIZED"			
ORDINARY.				

MILK (SPECIAL DESIGNATIONS) (PASTEURISED & STERILIZED MILK) REGULATIONS 1949.

PARTICULARS OF LICENCES ISSUED:-

(A) DEALERS' LICENCES:

PASTEURISED..... 19.  
STERILIZED ..... 4.

(B) SUPPLEMENTARY LICENCES:

PASTEURISED..... 2.  
STERILIZED..... 0.

MILK (SPECIAL DESIGNATIONS) (RAW MILK) REGULATIONS 1949.

PARTICULARS OF LICENCES ISSUED:-

(A) DEALERS' LICENCES..... 14.

(B) SUPPLEMENTARY LICENCES..... 0.



MEAT STALLS.

MEAT SHOPS, MEAT STORES ETC.,

PLACES WHERE FOOD (OTHER THAN MEAT) IS KEPT OR PREPARED FOR SALE.

ACTION TAKEN: -

VARIOUS TINNED AND DRIED GOODS INSPECTED AND DESTROYED  
AS UNFIT FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION.

TOTAL WEIGHT..... 4 CWTS. 0 QRS. 22 LBS.

THE CONDEMNED FOOD IS DISPOSED OF BY BURIAL.

### CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED.

	CATTLE EXCLUDING COWS.	COWS	CALVES	SHEEP & LAMBS.	PIGS.	TOTAL WEIGHT IN LBS.
NO. KILLED.	1,651.	-	71	7,164	2,317.	NOT KNOWN
NO. INSPECTED.	1,651.	-	71	7,164	2,317.	NOT KNOWN
<u>ALL DISEASES EXCEPT TUBERCULOSIS.</u>						
WHOLE CARCASSES CONDEMNED.	1.	-	1	7	4	-
CARCASSES OF WHICH SOME PART OR ORGAN WAS CONDEMNED.	60.	-	1	6	3	-
PERCENTAGE OF NUMBER INSPECTED AFFECTED WITH DISEASE OTHER THAN TUBERCULOSIS.	3.7	-	2.8	0.18	0.3	-
<u>TUBERCULOSIS ONLY.</u>						
WHOLE CARCASSES CONDEMNED.	1.	-	-	-	-	-
CARCASSES OF WHICH SOME PART OR ORGAN WAS CONDEMNED.	21.	-	-	-	15	-
PERCENTAGE OF THE NUMBER INSPECTED AFFECTED WITH TUBERCULOSIS.	1.27	-	-	-	0.3	-
<u>TOTAL WEIGHT CONDEMNED.</u>	MEAT. 1 TON. 15 CWT. 1 QR. 10 LBS. OFFALS: - 18 CWT. 3 QRS. 23 LBS.					





15. HOUSING.

(A) NEW HOUSES.

HOUSES COMPLETED DURING YEAR BY:-	TYPE.		AV. COST PER HOUSE.	AV. RENT INCLUSIVE OF RATES.
	PRE- FABRICATED PERMANENT.	PERMANENT.		
1. LOCAL AUTHORITY.	-	33	£1,500.	21/6 PER WEEK.
2. PRIVATE ENTERPRISE.	-	106	NOT KNOWN.	
HOUSES IN COURSE OF ERECTION AT END OF YEAR BY:-				
1. LOCAL AUTHORITY.	-	97	-	-
2. PRIVATE ENTERPRISE.	-	57	-	-

TOTAL NO. OF POSTWAR HOUSES COMPLETED BY:-

(A) LOCAL AUTHORITY..... 1,059.  
(B) PRIVATE ENTERPRISE..... 514.

TOTAL NO. OF APPLICANTS FOR COUNCIL HOUSES AT END OF YEAR.... 827.  
NO. OF APPLICATIONS RECEIVED DURING YEAR..... 93.

(B) INSPECTION OF DWELLING HOUSES DURING THE YEAR.

- (1) TOTAL NO. OF DWELLING HOUSES INSPECTED FOR HOUSING DEFECTS (UNDER PUBLIC HEALTH OR HOUSING ACTS)..... 2,109.  
No. OF INSPECTIONS MADE FOR THE PURPOSE..... 3,485.
- (2) NO. OF DWELLING HOUSES INCLUDED UNDER SUB-HEAD (1) ABOVE WHICH WERE INSPECTED AND RECORDED UNDER THE HOUSING CONSOLIDATED REGULATIONS 1925 & 1932..... NIL.  
No. OF INSPECTIONS MADE FOR THE PURPOSE..... NIL.
- (3) NO. OF DWELLINGS FOUND TO BE IN A STATE SO DANGEROUS OR INJURIOUS TO HEALTH AS TO BE UNFIT FOR HUMAN HABITATION..... 153.
- (4) NO. OF DWELLING HOUSES (EXCLUSIVE OF THOSE REFERRED TO UNDER THE PRECEEDING SUB-HEAD) FOUND NOT TO BE IN ALL RESPECTS REASONABLY FIT FOR HUMAN HABITATION..... 151.

(C) REMEDY OF DEFECTS DURING THE YEAR WITHOUT SERVICE OF FORMAL NOTICE.

NO. OF DEFECTIVE DWELLING HOUSES RENDERED FIT IN CONSEQUENCE OF INFORMAL ACTION BY THE LOCAL AUTHORITY OR THEIR OFFICERS..... 137.

(D) ACTION UNDER STATUTORY POWERS DURING THE YEAR.

- (A) PROCEEDINGS UNDER SECTIONS 9, 10 & 16 OF THE HOUSING ACT 1936:-
1. NO. OF DWELLING HOUSES IN RESPECT OF WHICH NOTICES WERE SERVED REQUIRING REPAIRS..... -
2. NO. OF DWELLING HOUSES WHICH WERE RENDERED FIT AFTER SERVICE OF FORMAL NOTICES..... -
- (B) PROCEEDINGS UNDER PUBLIC HEALTH ACTS:-
1. NO. OF DWELLINGS IN RESPECT OF WHICH NOTICES WERE SERVED REQUIRING DEFECTS TO BE REMEDIED..... 6.



2. No. of DWELLING HOUSES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE REMEDIED AFTER SERVICE OF FORMAL NOTICE:-

- (A) BY OWNERS..... 6.  
(B) BY LOCAL AUTHORITY IN DEFAULT OF OWNERS.... -

(C) PROCEEDINGS UNDER SECTIONS 11 & 13 OF THE HOUSING ACT 1936:-

1. No. of DWELLING HOUSES IN RESPECT OF WHICH DEMOLITION ORDERS WERE MADE..... -  
2. No. of DWELLING HOUSES DEMOLISHED IN PURSUANCE OF DEMOLITION ORDERS..... -

(D) PROCEEDINGS UNDER SECTION 12 OF THE HOUSING ACT 1936:-

1. No. of SEPARATE TENEMENTS OR UNDERGROUND ROOMS IN RESPECT OF WHICH CLOSING ORDERS WERE MADE..... -

(E) HOUSING ACT 1936 - PART IV - OVERCROWDING.

- (A) 1. No. of DWELLINGS OVERCROWDED AT END OF YEAR. NOT KNOWN.  
2. No. of FAMILIES DWELLING THEREIN.. -  
3. No. of PERSONS DWELLING THEREIN..... -

(B) No. of NEW CASES OF OVERCROWDING REPORTED DURING YEAR... NOT KNOWN.

- (C) 1. No. of CASES OF OVERCROWDING RELIEVED DURING YEAR... 26.  
2. No. of PERSONS CONCERNED IN SUCH CASES..... 130.

(D) PARTICULARS OF ANY CASES IN WHICH DWELLING HOUSES HAVE AGAIN BECOME OVERCROWDED AFTER THE LOCAL AUTHORITY HAVE TAKEN STEPS FOR THE ABATEMENT OF OVERCROWDING:-

IN SEVERAL INSTANCES TENANTS IN COUNCIL HOUSES HAVE BEEN REHOUSED IN LARGER HOUSES.

(F) HOUSING SUMMARY.

- (A) TOTAL No. of OCCUPIED HOUSES IN DISTRICT..... 8,619.  
(B) TOTAL No. of COUNCIL HOUSES OCCUPIED IN DISTRICT.... 1,463.

(G) HOUSING ACT 1949.

- NO. of APPLICATIONS FOR RECONDITIONING GRANTS.....  
IN RESPECT OF 76 HOUSES.  
NO. of APPLICATIONS APPROVED DURING THE YEAR..... 68.  
NO. of APPLICATIONS REFUSED DURING YEAR..... 8.

16. OTHER SANITARY CONDITIONS NOT PREVIOUSLY NOTED.

THE PET ANIMALS ACT 1951.

NO LICENCES HAVE BEEN ISSUED IN CONNECTION WITH THIS ACT.

APPLICATION WAS RECEIVED AND GRANTED FOR A TEMPORARY LICENCE FOR THE DURATION OF THE MARKET BOSWORTH AGRICULTURAL SHOW.

RAG FLOCK AND OTHER FILLING MATERIALS ACT 1951.

NO PREMISES ARE REGISTERED.

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE ACTS.

ACTION WAS TAKEN IN ONE CASE UNDER SECTION 47, TO REMOVE TO HOSPITAL A MAN OF 60 YEARS CONSIDERED INCAPABLE OF LOOKING AFTER HIMSELF.

17. STAFF.

- NO. of STAFF:- (A) QUALIFIED..... 3.  
(B) UNQUALIFIED..... -  
(C) CLERICAL..... 1.

STAFF INCREASE OR DECREASE DURING YEAR:- NO CHANGE.





18. FACTORY ACT 1937 AND 1948.

INSPECTIONS.

NO. ON REGISTER..... 54.

NO. OF INSPECTIONS..... 73.

NO. OF NOTICES..... 4.

DEFECTS FOUND:-

WANT OF CLEANLINESS..... 1.      REMEDIED..... 1.

REFERRED BY H.M.I..... 1.

SANITARY CONVENIENCE  
DEFECTIVE..... 3.      REMEDIED..... 3.

NOT SEPARATE FOR SEXES.... 1.      REMEDIED..... 1.

OUTWORK.

NO. OF OUTWORKERS IN AUGUST..... 255.

HOSIERY.....	189.	TEXTILES.....	13.
GLOVES.....	5.	CORSETS.....	5.
SHOES.....	16.	UNDERWEAR.....	9.
BRACES.....	10.	MISCELLANEOUS.....	1.
TOY PLASTIC.....	8.		

THERE WERE NO PROSECUTIONS OR NOTICES SERVED.

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PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

DURING THE YEAR 1955, 688 CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES WERE NOTIFIED AS COMPARED WITH 680 IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR.

THE PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY IS SITUATED AT THE ISOLATION HOSPITAL, GROBY ROAD, LEICESTER.

THE FOLLOWING SPECIMENS WERE EXAMINED:-

FAECES.....	53.
URINE.....	-
THROAT AND NOSE SWABS.....	12.
BLOOD.....	-
SPUTUM.....	1.



PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASE (CONT)

THE FOLLOWING CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE WERE NOTIFIED DURING THE YEAR:-

DISEASE.	TOTAL CASES NOTIFIED.	CASES ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL.	TOTAL DEATHS.
DIPHTHERIA.	0	0	0
SCARLET FEVER.	14	4	0
PNEUMONIA.	20	0	6
ERYSIPELAS.	5	0	0
PUERPERAL PYREXIA.	0	0	0
POLIOMYELITIS.	2	2	0
MEASLES.	550	0	0
WHOOPING COUGH.	85	0	0
DYSENTERY.	6	1	0
OPHTHALMIA NEONATORUM.	0	0	0
MENINGOCOCCAL INFECTION.	1	1	0
FOOD POISONING.	5	0	0

IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE, THE FOLLOWING CASES OF TUBERCULOSIS WERE NOTIFIED DURING THE YEAR:-

AGE PERIODS.

NEW CASES.

DEATHS.

	RESPIRATORY.				NON-RESPIRATORY.				RESPIRATORY.				NON-RESPIRATORY.			
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
UNDER 5 YEARS.	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 TO 14 YEARS.	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 TO 24 YEARS.	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25 TO 44 YEARS.	2	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45 TO 64 YEARS.	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
OVER 65 YEARS.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS.	7.	3.	1.	1.	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-

NO ACTION WAS TAKEN UNDER THE PUBLIC HEALTH (PREVENTION OF TUBERCULOSIS) REGULATIONS 1925, NOR WAS ANY ACTION NECESSARY UNDER SECTION 62 OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH ACT 1925.

DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION.

I AM INDEBTED TO THE COUNTY MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR THE TABLE RECORDED ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE:-



NUMBER OF CHILDREN WHO WERE IMMUNISED DURING THE PERIOD, 1ST, JANUARY - 31ST, DECEMBER 1955.

AGE AT 31/12/55 I.E. BORN IN YEAR	UNDER:													TOTALS.
	1. 1955.	2. 1953.	3. 1952.	4. 1951.	5. 1950.	6. 1949.	7. 1948.	8. 1947.	9. 1946.	10. 1945.	11. 1944.	12. 1943.	13. 1942.	
PRIMARY IMMUNISATION.	24	232.	32.	10.	5.	13.	3.	2.	1.	1.	7.	6.	9.	349.
BOOSTER DOSE.	-	-	1.	14.	206.	22.	6.	4.	-	2.	3.	3.	-	261.

COUNCIL OFFICES,  
MARKET BOSWORTH.  
NUNEATON.  
GHF/DD.

SEPTEMBER 1956.

